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- (1) In all civil proceedings the parties to the suit, and the husband or wife of any party to the suit, shall be competent witnesses.
- (2) In criminal proceedings against any person the husband or wife of that person respectively shall be a competent witness.
- (3) In criminal proceedings the accused shall be a competent witness in his own behalf, and may give evidence in the same manner and with the like effect and consequences as any other witness:

Provided that, so far as the cross-examination relates to the credit of the accused, the court may limit the cross-examination to such extent as it thinks proper, although the proposed cross-examination might be permissible in the case of any other